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Title: WAVELENGTH-SELECTIVE ADD/DROP ARRANGEMENT  
FOR OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated May 10, 2004, the due date having been extended one (1) month to September 10, 2004, and respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 of this paper

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